

JUST ONE RACE: Mrs. Robert DeFrance tells the Benton Harbor board of education "there is only one race — that is the human race." She explained different skin colorations have produced different cultures. "We must listen and respect our children . . . they want to see progress," she said in urging board to heed demands of black students for changes. Overflow crowd attended board meeting. (Staff photo)

BH Classes Will Resume Wednesday

Parents Meeting Tonight

Black, White Join Search For Peace

Classes will resume tomorrow at Benton Harbor high school, Principal David Hartenbach announced this morning.

"Students are to return to school and go to first period classes so the business of learning can resume," Hartenbach said.

A meeting will be held at 7:30 tonight for parents in the high school gymnasium. Problems at the school, and solutions will be discussed and parent involvement sought.

An informational meeting on results of student testing scheduled for tonight has been postponed and will be rescheduled after Jan. 1.

Classes were suspended yesterday morning and today after a week of racial tension.

DEMANDS PRESENTED

Black students last night presented seven demands (called "Overdue Debts") to the board of education before a standing room crowd of more than 200 at Bierman library in senior high. President Lester Page said the board couldn't adopt them on the spot and further study was needed.

The three and a half hour meeting ended after Trustee Thomas Alford moved that the board work toward solution of the seven points. It was seconded by James Nettleton and carried unanimously.

A group of about 200 students staged a sit-in Monday morning while others were attending regular classes. All classes were then called off. Hartenbach said the demonstrators peacefully cleared the auditorium after a committee said they would take the issues to the board.

The demands were presented by Vertis McManus, a senior and spokesman for concerned students. The seven points are:

1. Teachers should be interviewed by a student and parent board.
2. There should be an equal percentage of black teachers and administrators in proportion to black students in the school system.
3. There should be student representation on the school board (as a non-voter). The board should make an effort to get adequate representation from the black community.
4. We want well-informed black counselors with the black

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VERTIS McMANUS
Student Spokesman

Asylums Pinched By Cutbacks

State Forced To Reduce Its Spending

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A budget cut of two per cent in state mental health programs, ordered last month as part of a state-wide economy drive, has forced some hospitals to face cutbacks on already understaffed wards as well as curtailment of certain outpatient services and follow-up procedures.

Gov. Milliken ordered all state departments to reduce spending for the remainder of this fiscal year when it appeared tax revenues would fall short of earlier estimates.

IT WILL HURT

For the mental health department, the cut amounts to \$3.7 million, and officials insist it will hurt.

"There's no question this is going to hamper our operation," said Dr. Richard Budd, superintendent at Northville State Hospital.

"It's stopping all program development we had hoped to achieve this year. It's curtailing our outpatient services. Some programs will be without secretarial help. We'll be without some nurses..."

At Pontiac State Hospital, Dr. Donald W. Martin, superintendent, said the cut will result in layoffs, which with unfilled vacancies could leave the hospital with 60 positions below its authorized staffing level.

Budd and Martin agree that the cuts will cause a reduction in the quality of therapy received by some patients.

For example, they said staffers freed from their duties in geriatric wards as patients are transferred to nursing homes were to concentrate their efforts in psychiatric programs. Now, however, they will be laid off.

Food budgets at Northville will be cut, although not below the authorized level of 82 cents per person per day, Budd said.

Traffic Deaths

| Dec. 15 State Police Count | This Year | Last Year |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2,059 | 2,362 |

Yule Fund Grows

Countdown Begins For Newsie Sale

Herald-Press Good Fellows are busy counting frontwards and backwards but the important thing is that it's going to add up to a lot of smiles on Christmas day.

The Good Fellow bookkeepers counted frontwards until they reached \$80 which is the total of gifts received including a real gasser from Herb's Super 100. That makes the total \$1,716.11.

Then the Good Fellow Newsies started their countdown towards the big sale Friday — the giant effort that for the past 18 years has put the Good Fellow fund over the top.

Why is it so important that the Good Fellow fund go over the top? The answer is simple enough. A lot of little guys and gals who have been listening to all that we have been saying about Christmas, are counting on us.

Most everyone approaches Christmas the same way.

Thanksgiving week is devoted to chattering about how early Christmas promotion begins.

Club committees get busy planning parties. There are some Christmas parties as early as the first week of December. The reason: "There are so many parties, let's get ours out of the way early. Everybody — well most everybody — has unconsciously been caught up in the Christmas tide. But if Christmas can't be for all then maybe it should be dropped for all. This isn't like the Michigan or Ohio State football fans who go to the Rose Bowl while the rest of the Big 10 fans have to

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HAS A PLAN: Sen. Robert F. Griffin, R-Mich., tells a Washington news conference Monday that the United States and South Vietnam should release unilaterally at least 1,500 North Vietnamese army prisoners of war and all the sick and wounded. (AP Wirephoto)

Would Release Red Prisoners

Griffin Hopes Hanoi Would Then Free Americans

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Robert P. Griffin, the Senate's No. 2 Republican leader, today urged the release of all sick and wounded enemy prisoners of war as well as 1,500 able-bodied captured North Vietnamese troops in hopes of securing freedom for American POWs.

"Such a dramatic, humanitarian initiative would create, worldwide, an expectation of response in kind by the Communist side," said the Michigan Republican.

EXPECTS RESPONSE

Griffin said he expects the proposal to receive a sympathetic response from the Nixon administration, but emphasized he was making the proposal as a senator — not as assistant Republican leader.

"I would suggest that the prisoners be released well before Tet, the Vietnamese New Year, which comes at the end of January," he said.

"I believe it is appropriate, as the holiday season approaches, for our side to demonstrate through this dramatic and moving gesture our deep conviction, expressed by President Nixon, that all prisoners of war have suffered too much."

Griffin conferred last month with Mai Van Bo of the North Vietnamese Paris delegation in an effort to secure better treatment of American POWs and a list of their names. However, he

said he has received no response from Bo.

459 HELD

About 1,500 men are listed as missing in action in Southeast Asia. Pentagon officials say 459 Americans are believed held captive by the North Vietnamese.

The South Vietnamese hold an estimated 8,200 North Vietnamese prisoners.

Griffin said the United States "should ask an impartial organization, like the International Red Cross, to interview the North Vietnamese and determine which men wish to return."

"I do not advocate forced repatriation," he said.

Minister Enters Plea Of Guilty

A pre-sentence investigation has been scheduled for the Rev. Eugene E. Hardin, 42, of 719 East Main street, Benton Harbor, who pleaded guilty Monday in Fifth District court to possession of an unregistered gun.

A felony charge of carrying a concealed weapon, on which the Rev. Hardin was first booked by Benton Harbor police, was not authorized by the prosecutor's office. The Rev. Hardin, paid director of the youth economic development program for the Tri-County Community Action Program, was arrested early Saturday.

He pleaded innocent to another charge of driving under the influence of intoxicants and was released on bond.

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Nixon Surprise

Connally New Treasury Chief

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Nixon has tapped former Texas Gov. John B. Connally as his new Treasury secretary in what is seen as a political move to blunt Democratic criticism of the administration's economic policies.

With the economy looming as a major issue in the 1972 presidential campaign, Nixon coupled announcement of Connally's appointment Monday with a call for a bipartisan approach to the nation's economic troubles.

A conservative Democrat and three-time governor of Texas, Connally brings a political and legal background to the Treasury job, normally filled by bankers, and gives the administration a stronger voice in dealing with Congress.

David M. Kennedy, the 65-year-old Chicago banker who held the Treasury post for two years, resigned effective Feb. 1 to make room for Connally. Nixon named Kennedy an ambassador-at-large in the State Department, with Cabinet seat and responsibility in international finance.

Administration sources said Connally, secretary of the Navy under former President John F. Kennedy, will be counted on to use his political talents in selling Nixon's economic policies to the public and improving the President's relations with a Democratic Congress.

Both were acknowledged weaknesses of Kennedy, who was in disfavor with the administration's economic policymakers and wanted a less demanding job.

POLITICAL COUP?

But whether Nixon achieved a political coup in naming Connally remains to be seen. At Sun Valley, Idaho, where Republican governors are meeting, the reaction was largely unhappy.

"It was just incredible," Gov. Francis Sargent of Massachusetts said. "Can he add? I don't mind him appointing a Democrat — but Connally?"

"I thought there were a lot of unemployed Republican governors who could have been appointed instead of an unemployed Democratic governor," said James G. Thompson, Jr., Governor of New Mexico. "I suspect it was a political appointment and that may be the understatement of the year."

Gov. John A. Love of Colorado

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JOHN B. CONNALLY
Democrat Named

Boy Flees Spanking; Found Dead

DETROIT (AP) — Nine-year-old Rolfe Bloodsaw, who ran away from home last week to avoid a threatened spanking, was found dead Monday curled up in a concrete garbage receptacle where, police said, he apparently sought refuge from the cold.

A medical examiner said the boy apparently died from exposure.

Police said he had fled his house without a coat or boots because he feared a spanking for not doing his homework.

He climbed into the concrete garbage receptacle to get out of the cold, police said, then — after removing his shoes and setting them neatly at his side — went to sleep.

He apparently died in his sleep Thursday night, police said.

His body was identified at the morgue by his stepfather and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Jacobs.

An autopsy was scheduled for today.

Cites Business Obligations

Hartford Mayor Resigns After A Year In Office

HARTFORD — Mayor Ray L. Knapp, dismissed as city councilman for absenteeism in

February, 1969, then elected nine months later to the city's highest post, resigned last night.

Knapp asked that his resignation be effective Jan. 1, a year to the day from when he took over the mayorship. The term continues for another year.

The resignation came to city council in a letter from Phoenix, Ariz., where business obligations dictated his decision, Knapp said.

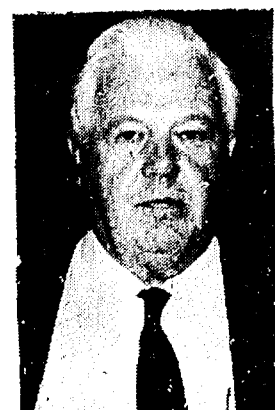
Knapp was removed from the Hartford council post which he had held for nearly 15 years

when he missed three consecutive meetings without permission. The action is required by city charter, councilmen said at the time.

In November, 1969, just nine months later, Knapp defeated incumbent Mayor A. J. Hope with a 61-vote margin.

His resignation Monday was accepted by the council, which delayed any move to name a successor until after Jan. 1.

On the top agenda item, the council adopted a 1971 budget totaling \$285,913. The city's fiscal year coincides with the cal-



RAY L. KNAPP
In Again, Out Again

endar year.

The new budget is \$20,000 greater than last year's figures

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Editorial Page

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Another Re-Apportionment Battle In Sight

When state legislators sit down next year with maps and colored pencils to redraw U.S. House districts, both national parties will be standing by with gerrymandering schemes.

The political makeup of the House for the next decade may be at stake. Republican and Democratic officials are predicting bruising legislative sessions over the issue.

Even before the November 3 elections, Republican National Chairman C. B. Morton warned that his party must "face the possibility of being gerrymandered out of control of the House of Representatives until 1980."

Republicans are armed with computer backed research to fight such a possibility. Democrats apparently will rely on help from labor unions and other political allies.

Redistricting the 435 House seats prior to the 1972 primary elections will be the most thorough since 1962. Chief interest will be in states that will gain or lose representation in the House.

The prime gainer will be California, with an increase of five seats, followed by Florida, which may gain three. Connecticut, Colorado, Arizona and Texas are expected to gain one each.

New York and Pennsylvania probably will lose two Representatives each. Eight states, Alabama, Iowa, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, West Virginia and Wisconsin, are projected to lose one seat each.

Under the Supreme Court's 1969 ruling that House districts be equal in population, other states also will have to draw new district boundaries to reflect population shifts disclosed by the 1970 Census.

Only exceptions will be the six states expected to have just one (at-large) Representative each, North Dakota, Wyoming, Alaska, Vermont, Nevada, and Delaware.

The parties that control the legislatures and Governorships will control the reapportionment process. This enables the party to gain an advantage by gerrymandering, drawing the boundaries so as to maximize its own election chances and minimize the opposition's.

Until the elections, Republi-

Campaign Reform Dim

The biennial cycle of concern over campaign spending which reaches a peak at election time and then declines rapidly appear to have completed another cycle. It is extremely unlikely that meaningful reform will be forthcoming from either state or federal governments while the emotion of an actual campaign is lacking.

That is unfortunate, because once again the 1970 elections showed the need for, at least, an honest system of reporting. In New Jersey the candidates for the U. S. Senate filed reports accounting for less than \$100,000, although between them they acknowledge spending at least \$1.5 million. The filings they made were perfectly legal and all that was required of them.

This scene was repeated all across the land, and will continue to be until laws with teeth say otherwise.

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cans were considered to be far ahead of Democrats in planning such strategies, but the elections dampened Republican hopes for favorable redistricting.

The GOP won only 41 percent of the nation's state legislative seats, and retained control over only 47 of the 99 state lawmaking chambers. Democratic Governors will outnumber their Republican counterparts 29 to 21.

"All our sweetheart reapportionment packages went out the damn window on election day," said F. Bradford Hays, former director of state services for the Republican National Committee. "I think Republicans are going to be quite willing to compromise to get a few of their own districts and be satisfied. We can't hope for much more."

National and state Republican leaders have taken seriously Morton's October warning that the party must face the possibility of being gerrymandered out of hopes of winning control of the House.

Under the direction of John E. Rowe, former Indiana Republican official and now Director of State Services for the national committee, an elaborate and well financed network has been established to help with reapportionment efforts.

"We're expecting vicious battles," Rowe said of reapportionment. "We are telling our state people to assume their plans will be attacked by the other party, to assume that they will be challenged in court and to assume that a Democratic Governor will veto any plan. That's why we've got to be sure our basic data is reliable."

Rowe, a veteran big city politician, is realistic about Republican reapportionment prospects in the aftermath of state GOP losses in November. "We're at a disadvantage, but we've got a head start and the best research available. The fact is, you can still gerrymander if you're smart enough."

The Democratic party, although having an edge in political strength in the states, is leagues behind Republicans in its reapportionment drive. Early census reports indicate that Democrats stand to lose much of the rapidly growing suburban communities in the nation.

"We aren't interested in playing a major role in reapportionment," said David Cooper, research director at the Democratic National Committee. "We intend to leave most of it up to the states and give them a hand if they ask for it."

However, political allies of the committee, such as Americans for Democratic Action and the AFL-CIO's Committee on Political Education and private consultants, have approached the DNC with proposals and specific plans for reapportioning major states. "At least 20 political consulting firms have come to us with their programs," said Cooper.

Political professionals agree that the complex job of reapportionment, especially in such populous states as New York, California and Florida, is particularly suited to computers.

Computers can mix census data with information from local voter registration lists to obtain a party's optimum political strength from an area.

An expert in such work is Vincent Barabba with Decision Making Information, a firm in Los Angeles, Calif. "Computers can create electronic maps with exact details down to the city block level," he said. "But the computer won't draw the lines. That's up to the legislators when they decide what factors they want built into a district."

"The court rulings brought the technologists in," Barabba said. "The bulk of the information is so huge that it would take years to sift through it without trained people and computers to meet the court standards. With the machines, you can work with geographic bases and draw a whole variety of plans. Then you look at the alternatives. It cuts the arguing down."



GLANCING BACKWARDS

SJ DEDICATES UPTON JR. HIGH

—1 Year Ago—
Upton junior high school, \$2 million educational landmark on Maiden Lane at Lincoln avenue, St. Joseph, was dedicated with simple but impressive rites Sunday.

An estimated 2,000 persons toured the 89,048 square foot building after the dedication program. Representatives of the Louis C. Upton and Frederick S. Upton families were present for the dedication.

ANNEXATION VALID

—10 Years Ago—
The City of St. Joseph formally declared that its annexation of 53 acres of St. Joseph township territory Sept. 12 was valid and that there was no improper influence or monetary inducement involved in the election.

It also claimed that the petitions circulated requesting the election complied with the law and that the Berrien county board of supervisors had jurisdiction to call the election.

WILLIAM RITT

You're Telling Me!

Queen ELIZABETH II, according to a London newspaper, probably lost at least \$240,000 in the stock market last year. Now that certainly was not to the queen's taste!

A Russian orchestra conductor labels contemporary Western music as just "noisy combinations." Look who's sounding off!

A diamond-studded gold Louis XV snuff box recently sold for \$30,000. You certainly can't sniff at that price!

The assistant chaplain of a West Coast university advertised "Spiritual Advice - Five Cents." Whatever became of that old saying - "A penny for your thoughts?"

Some 140 years after Benjamin Franklin recommended it, the U.S. adopted Daylight Saving. Old Ben sure was ahead of his time.

A sleet storm is a great equalizer. It can change any aristocratic residential avenue into skid row.

On reading that a survey has shown that an elevator is the safest vehicle of public transportation, Zadok Dumkopf says he's not surprised, since it's the only car on the road.

What could be the world's fattest hog is on display at the Coudy-les-Epaves Zoo near Reims, France. It's a 925-pound porker. That's a lot of bacon - or do you prefer pork chops? - packed into one pigskin!

The super swine's name is Mao. Wonder what thoughts that other Mao (address Peking, Red China) has about that?

Since it's such a big ham, that monster porker must be very happy to be in show business.

A musician friend tells us that while the Irish bagpipe has only one reed, the Scottish bagpipe has three. Does this mean it's three times as hard to listen to?

A survey shows that more than 90 per cent of all calendars are given away. Well, they do make timely gifts, at that!

EGYPT TROOPS CROSS BORDER

—30 Years Ago—
Vanguards of Britain's army in the western desert are "well across" the border of Italian Libya, a general headquarters communique reported today at the start of the second week of the British drive.

The Italians, however, were admitted to be "still holding strongly defended positions from Salum." Egyptian port five miles east of the frontier in the coast sector where heavy fighting has been going on for three days and three nights.

REMODELING

—40 Years Ago—
Robert Kalus is having his summer cottage at Union Pier remodeled with plumbing and new porches. William Covert is doing the work.

ANNUAL MEETING

—50 Years Ago—
About 75 were present when the Berrien county Horticultural society met this morning in the First Baptist church of Benton Harbor for the annual meeting.

MASS MARRIAGES

—60 Years Ago—
Last night 13 couples, all member of the House of David colony, were married in one of the buildings and this afternoon seven more pledged their vows. This is called a jubilee year at the colony and is the year that marriages are permitted.

GOOD BUSINESS

—80 Years Ago—
Between 20 and 30 cars of lumber and iron were transferred from the C. & W.M. to the Vandalia line yesterday. The business on the Vandalia line is steadily increasing.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor,
The Herald-Press.

LAMENTS JUNKET BY LEGISLATORS

The paradox involved in the article in your newspaper (12-5-70) concerning the leadership conference in Puerto Rico for state legislators perhaps typifies the inherent faults of our government today.

While the state budget is being slashed by the legislature because of a shortage of funds and while the taxpayers decline the "privilege" to pay even more in taxes, the state legislators have declined to economize and have voted themselves an "educational" vacation on the sandy shores of Puerto Rico. What is inherent here is that government has ceased to serve the people, from whom all powers are derived, and has built its own self-serving empire.

Granted that there is not much leadership in Lansing (if there were an overabundance of it why a conference) but at this time the taxpayers simply can not afford this junket. What makes this episode all the more revolting is the presence of "lame ducks" in this gang of leaching legislators. The plain

and inescapable truth is that this item is wasteful, ridiculous and could be eliminated.

What is pulling about this affair is the lack of concern shown by those Republican legislators who cry for fiscal austerity and are elected on the basis of these pleas for responsible government. Their silence is remarkably similar to that of the Democratic party.

One notable absence from the entourage is that of Sen. Robert Huber who narrowly lost his fight against the pick of Republican Party "bosses" for the U.S. Senate nomination and is thinking of forming a third party to offer a choice between the two major parties.

Perhaps there is a need for a third party: one dedicated to the idea of limited government performing its just functions with the elected officials serving the taxpayers. It is apparent that neither of the two major parties, particularly in the statewide leadership, is dedicated to responsible and efficient government as this episode points out. For both parties were in on this latest picking of the taxpayers pocket.

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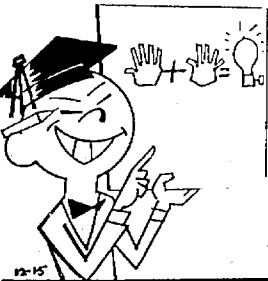
BENNET CERF

Try And Stop Me

Dr. Ching Ling Fei was delivering a lecture to a college chemistry class one evening when every light in the building suddenly went off. While other professors lost their cool, Dr. Ching remained unperturbed. "Gentlemen," he instructed his class, "I will ask all of you to raise your hands high above your heads." The class obeyed - and presto - the lights went back on.

"This," smiled Dr. Ching, "will impress upon you the wisdom of an old Chinese proverb: many hands make light work."

Jim Cooper, who with good reason labels himself a "pun broker" is acquainted with a veterinarian who always called a spayed a spayed - what's this? - an amorous soup dish who's a necked turken. He also knows a Far Eastern monk who's constantly begging him for favors - a veritable Buddha pest, and a female financial wizard who loves to play the



stock market. Jim knows her by the companies she keeps.

QUICKIES:

An unknown punster in La Crosse, Wis., has sent me this definition of an octogenarian: "Someone who has read Bronte's 'Jane Eyre' eight times."

A theatre in Berlin is running "The Battle of Britain" backwards - and Germany wins

DR. COLEMAN

..And Speaking Of Your Health

A yearly epidemic against which there is no vaccine is about to descend on us. Fractured arms, legs and ankles will soon bring sophisticated evidence that the ski season is here.

When I said there was no vaccine against these expensive, time-consuming injuries I did not include the vaccine of sensible prevention. Most of these injuries are avoidable.

Thousands of skiers rush to the slopes and honestly believe they can take up this year's skiing program where they left off in the spring.

It is unreasonable to expect that muscles, ligaments and joints that have been inactive can immediately be put into condition for the slopes when the first powdery snow appears. Too often, skiing equipment that has not been used becomes another potential hazard in this exhilarating and exciting sport.

A long-healing injury is an expensive one, far greater than the cost of good-fitting boots, good bindings and good skis. For greater safety, skiers can get into condition with simple, well-regulated exercises in anticipation of skiing. There are many schools and gyms where skiers can actually dry run in ski practice to get themselves in condition.

Obviously, good skiers have far fewer accidents than begin-



ners. The reason is that good skiers know their limitations and carefully observe all the safety rules of skiing. Courtesy on the slopes is an absolute necessity to prevent accidents while horseplay only encourages accidents.

NoVICES must slowly graduate from one type of slope to another to be sure that they are capable of handling the additional speed and curves.

Another reason for accidents is that all skiers try to squeeze in as many hours on the slopes as possible. Fatigue sets in readily, the reflexes diminish, and soon the careless accident occurs.

It is a great mistake to "work out" an injury to the ankle, the wrist, or the shoulder. Injuries that seem slight may be overlooked and can lead to complications when it is finally found that a small chip fracture has been neglected.

There is great joy in this exciting sport. There can be greater joy if skiers use their heads as well as their feet.

SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH: There is no longer any need to use boric acid in liquid or powder form. There are more effective and safer substances.

Dr. Coleman welcomes letters from readers, and, while he cannot undertake to answer each one, he will use questions in his column whenever possible and when they are of general interest. Address your letters to Dr. Coleman in care of this newspaper.

JAY BECKER

Contract Bridge

South Dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

| NORTH | | EAST | |
|-----------|--------------|-----------|------------|
| ♠ 10 2 | ♦ A Q 7 5 | ♠ K J 3 | ♦ 9 8 6 2 |
| ♥ A Q 7 5 | ♣ A K 6 4 3 | ♥ 10 9 | ♣ 10 8 7 2 |
| ♠ 8 4 | | ♥ 8 6 | ♣ 9 6 |
| WEST | | SOUTH | |
| ♠ A 9 7 4 | ♦ K J 3 | ♠ Q 8 6 5 | ♦ K 4 3 |
| ♥ 10 | ♣ 10 9 | ♥ K 4 3 | ♦ Q 5 |
| ♠ 10 9 | ♣ Q 10 5 3 2 | ♥ Q 5 | ♦ A K J 7 |

| The bidding: | | East | |
|--------------|------|-------|------|
| South | West | North | Pass |
| 1♣ | Pass | 1♦ | Pass |
| 1♥ | Pass | 2♥ | Pass |
| 2NT | Pass | 3NT | Pass |

Opening lead - jack of hearts.
Let's say you're East, defending against three notrump, and partner leads the jack of hearts, won by South with the king. Declarer cashes the Q-K-A of diamonds, West discarding the deuce of clubs, and plays another diamond which you win with the jack as West discards the three of clubs.

Matters have now reached a crucial stage and it seems clear that you must return a spade. In accordance with this, you should lead the jack of spades in the hope that your partner has among his assets the A-9-x or Q-9-x-x of spades, in which case you will have more than a fair shot to stop the contract.

As it happens, the jack play kills declarer dead. Whether he covers or not, you reel off four spade tricks and he winds up going down one.

But note that if you start the spades by leading either the king or three South makes the contract with correct play. Only the jack lead will render South's spades useless and prevent him from scoring nine tricks.

The knave can do no wrong!

RUTH RAMSEY

Today's Grab Bag

THE ANSWER QUICK

1. Who wrote "A thing of beauty is a joy forever"?
2. What bridge is associated with "the shot heard 'round the world"?
3. What is the original location of the Acropolis?
4. What is the original location of the Tuilleries?
5. What bridge is associated with the Arno at Florence?

IT HAPPENED TODAY

On this day in 1854 the first street cleaning machine was used in Philadelphia.

BORN TODAY

His original name was Lucius Domitius Ahenobarbus. When he was adopted by the Roman leader, Claudius, he took the name of Caius Claudius Nero.

It was as Nero that history knows him. He was born in 37 A.D. at first acclaimed by all as a liberal and sober leader, the young emperor didn't waste any of his time showing everyone that impression was a wrong one.

His mistress, Poppaea, hated his wife, so Nero had his wife, Octavia, murdered to please her.

When Poppaea became pregnant, he killed both the mother and child by kicking her to death.

He played the harp for his amusement and took part in athletic games in the Circus, where he was always able to force a large attendance.

In 64 A.D., a great fire

destroyed a large section of the city. The story that the mad emperor lit the fire and occupied himself musically "while Rome burned" is now generally thought to be only a legend. He did, however, blame the Christians for the fire and persecuted them for it.

Nero rebuilt Rome after the fire and erected the Domus Aurea for himself. At this time, others were forming conspiracies plotting his downfall. Piso Conspiracy, which involved the poet Lucan and the philosopher Seneca, was uncovered by Nero and he ordered both men to commit suicide, which they did. Their deaths further incensed the people against him.

In 68 A.D., after he returned from a tour of Greece, he found that the armies had installed Galba as emperor and declared Nero an enemy of the state. Nero then took his own life.

Others born today include Edwin Blashfield, J. Paul Getty and Kermit Bloomgarden.

WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE
NARCOSYNTHESIS - (NAR-koh-SIN-the-sis) - noun; a treatment for psychiatric disturbances which uses narcotics.

YOUR FUTURE
Your birthday brings you splendid opportunities for gain. Today's child will be of a genial, good-natured character.

IT'S BEEN SAID
A man used to vicissitudes is not easily dejected. -Samuel Johnson.

HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?
1. John Keats.
2. Concord Bridge.
3. Citadel of Athens.
4. Old palace at Paris.
5. The Ponte Vecchio.

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Twin City
News

ST. JOSEPH, MICH., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1970

Want Six-Mill Tax Boost On BH City Ballot

Commission Seeking February Vote

Benton Harbor city commission last night asked that a resolution be drafted for an election on a six-mill property tax increase. Mayor Wilbert Smith said he was hopeful the vote could be held in February.

Pension Program Scrapped

A pension program for Royalton township elected officials was scrapped last night by the officials themselves.

The township board voted to withdraw from the program with the Manufacturers Life Insurance company, according to Clerk Otto Jasper. The board had voted to enter the program about a year ago at a cost of \$1,950 a year for the township and \$650 from individuals.

Jasper said the decision was unanimous and was made because the officials ruled the program did not provide coverage they wanted.

In other areas, the board approved a request for a club license from the St. Joseph Kickers Sports club on Hetter drive, near Berrien Springs, subject to approval by the state liquor control commission. The license would permit sale to club members only of liquor, beer and wine.

Doris Jasper, wife of the clerk, was appointed assistant clerk and Carol Stockman, wife of the treasurer, Allen Stockman, was named assistant treasurer.

Edward Klug, Lloyd Both and Robert McCoy were each appointed to two-year terms on the township's board of review.

Attendance at the state townships association convention, to be held Jan. 12-14 in Grand Rapids, was approved for any of the officials desiring to attend.

Bomb Hoax Ill-Timed

A telephone caller with a bomb threat may have been disappointed when her call did not disrupt night classes at Benton Harbor high school last night. The classes had already been cancelled, according to Benton Harbor police.

Police said a custodian at the school received a call shortly after 6 p.m. from a female, who said "all you white — — — get out; there is a bomb in the school." Custodians searched the building, but found nothing.

Night and day classes had been cancelled following a disruption yesterday morning in the high school.

The commission instructed City Atty. Samuel Henderson to prepare the resolution so that it can be acted on next week. Mayor Wilbert Smith said the commission wants the six mills to continue as a permanent levy.

However, Henderson said this morning that could involve a charter change which would involve more time before the election could be held.

The city charter indicates that extra taxes can be voted for a specified number of years without changing the charter, Henderson said.

Benton Harbor now levies 14 mills for general operating. If approved, the six mills would bring the general operating total to 20 mills, the maximum permitted by state law. The city charter limits the general operating levy to 10 mills unless raised by a vote of the people. An additional four mills was voted last April for three years.

SPECIAL PURPOSES
The city also levies seven more mills in special purpose taxes for sanitation, permanent

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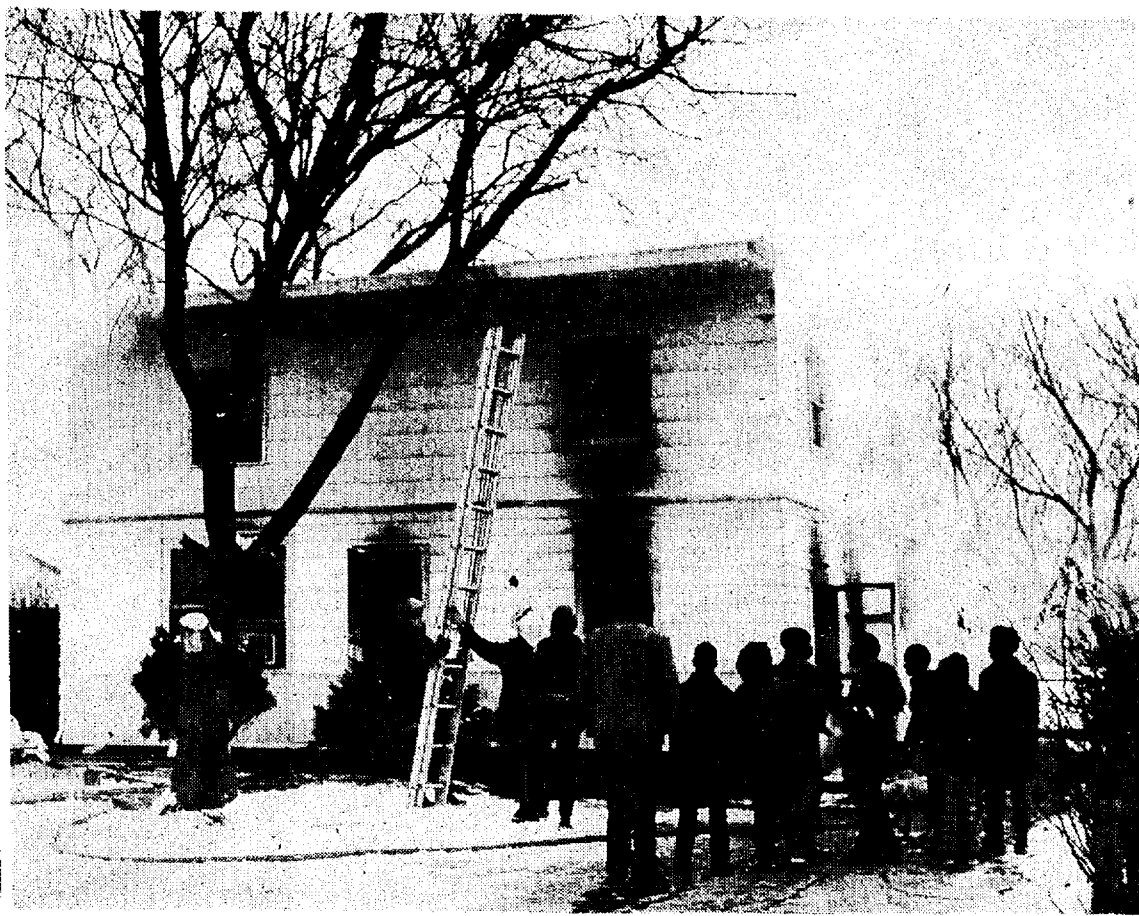
public improvement fund, library, urban renewal bonds and pension — a grand total of 21 mills at present.

The commission has indicated raises granted policemen should be passed along to other employees. City Manager Don Stewart said six mills would raise about \$390,000, but that would not be enough to meet raises for all employees in the 1972-73 fiscal year.

Car Strikes Utility Poles; Driver Hurt

John W. Lawrick, 18, of 807 LaSalle avenue, Benton Harbor, was admitted to St. Joseph Memorial hospital yesterday after his car skidded on ice and struck two utility poles. His condition this morning was fair.

Berrien sheriff's deputies said one of the poles was broken in two when it was struck by the car. The accident occurred on Hawthorne avenue, west of Cleveland avenue. Lawrick was issued a summons for careless driving.



HOME BURNS: Benton Harbor firemen place ladder to side of two-story house at 632 Buena Vista avenue that caught on fire yesterday when a 3-year-old child was playing with matches in dining room. Firemen said the parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Harmon, left the children home while they went to get some lumber for the house. The children range in

age from 2 to 14. The fire caused extensive damage throughout the house, firemen said. None of the children was hurt, but Harmon's wife, Lovie, 40, passed out when she returned home and had to be taken to Benton Harbor Mercy hospital. She was admitted for observation and was listed in fair condition this morning. (Staff photo)

\$266,000 Deficit Seen

Mixed Advice On SJ Schools Money Pinch

The St. Joseph board of education last night received three differing recommendations on how to cope with an anticipated \$266,000 deficit in the current school year's budget.

The faculty organization recommended an election to seek four extra mills from the taxpayers. The Citizens Advisory Council, on the other hand, proposed that expenses be cut by trimming curriculum, increasing class size minimums and other economies.

The administration, through Supt. Richard Ziehmer, suggested a little of each: Ask for fewer mills and cut some expenses.

SPECIAL MEETING

The board took no action on the recommendations last night but has scheduled a special meeting for next Monday at 7 p.m. in St. Joseph high school to study the proposals.

The projected \$266,000 deficit stems from lower income and higher expenses, including an estimated \$50,000 required when the state supreme court ordered each school district to provide free textbooks and supplies.

The school administration has been working for months with both the advisory council and the St. Joseph Education asso-

ciation, attempting to bring in recommendations from all units.

But Ziehmer said all of the recommendations had been received but it was impossible to make a single set to present to the board.

Over the signature of Donald Leatz, president of the St. Joseph Education association, which represents the district's teachers, the statement said: "The association recommends a millage increase to lend support

Bicyclist Robbed By Boy, Girl

A 16-year-old bicyclist said a teenage couple robbed him yesterday of his gloves, a pocket knife, \$20 in food stamps and a package of cigarettes. The robbery occurred on Valley drive, Benton Harbor police said.

The victim, Tom Zielinski, 16, of 992 East Empire avenue, said he was approached by a teenage boy and girl who asked him for a quarter. When he refused their request, they asked him to turn over everything.

to the high quality program in the St. Joseph school district. We recognize the high cost involved, the escalation of inflation in the national economy, and the increased cost of local education. The teaching staff, administration, board of education and the citizens have recognized the merit of our present program."

The specific recommendations made by the teachers:

"1. Complete non-teaching staff analysis to determine the feasibility of eliminating two custodial and two secretarial positions.

"2. Central administration staff reorganization aimed at eliminating either the position of assistant superintendent or the administrative assistant.

"3. Reduction of the present 24 units required for high school graduation to 20 units yet allow students the choice of a five-subject day or six-subject day.

"4. No increase in present number of staff at any level for the 1971-72 school year except

for possible emergency situations.

"5. Reduce present number of coaching staff where possible.

"6. Minimal class size limitations of 20 with exclusion of instrumental music and the improvement program.

"7. Increase present voted millage by four mills which would bring in an additional \$444,000."

The teachers said in their recommendations: "The above represents a two-fold attack on the financial situation of the district: 1—to maintain the present high quality instruction in St. Joseph and 2—to economize through efficiency wherever possible without doing irreparable damage to the curriculum."

CITES TAX INCREASE

Art Hoover, chairman of the advisory council, said recent tax statements received throughout the district, reflecting increases in valuation, water and sewer

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March Vote Set On Bond Issue For New BHHS

Kalamazoo Firm Hired To Draw Up Plans

Benton Harbor board of education last night set March 8, 1971, as target date for a bond election on a new high school and announced a Kalamazoo architectural firm will be hired to draw building plans.

Amount of the bond issue won't be known until the plans are completed. A preliminary cost estimated last spring for the high school was \$14.5 million.

Supt. Mark E. Lewis announced the board has selected Louis C. Kingscott and Associates as architects, but formal details of the contract are still to be worked out.

Kingscott has done the architectural work for various remodeling projects in the district and was the architect for building plans in two bond proposals of 1967 that were defeated.

The board's resolution for the March 8 election also specified Monday, March 15, as the alternate date. The resolution will go to the Berrien County Special Election Scheduling committee which gives clearance for elections other than those established by statute.

Educational specifications for the high school are being written by Dr. N. L. Engelhardt, a school planner, in consultation with faculty and administrators. The "ed specs" will determine broadly what is to be taught in the new school and the architect will use them as a "road map" in designing the building.

The school will be on "a school within a school" concept on a central campus with three or four units attached to a central administrative core. Each unit will house 750 to 1,000 students.

Kingscott was selected by the board over five other firms. Lewis said: "Kingscott is one of the largest firms in the state, and is well known nationally. They have handled several school renovation projects for this district always with good results. Kingscott also has demonstrated a concern for quality and economy."

Established in 1928, Kingscott has a staff of 90 including 20 architects. It is responsible for more than 1,000 completed edu-

BH School Closed Due To Smoke

Classes at Morton school in Benton Harbor were dismissed yesterday when a faulty flue in the boiler room caused the elementary school to fill with smoke, Benton Harbor firemen reported. Firemen were called to unplug the flue.

cational projects from elementary through university and specialized educational facilities.

The firm also has offices in Indianapolis, Davenport, Iowa, and Washington, D. C.

Parochial Pupils Will Get Course

Lakeshore Board Approves Action

Speech therapy will be offered by the Lakeshore public schools to four parochial school students who live in the district if they are brought to the public school for instruction and their parents consent.

Board of education members accepted this recommendation from schools Superintendent Lionel Stacey during their regularly scheduled meeting Monday afternoon.

Stacey reported the action would not be in defiance of the state imposed cut-off date for auxiliary services to private schools set for Dec. 18.

"As I interpret the anti-parochial amendment, it means public schools can offer auxiliary services to private school students if those students go to the public school to receive those services," Stacey said.

COURT RULING

He said in view of the board's acceptance of his recommendation, the district would serve the private school students, at the Lakeshore schools, "until we get a high court ruling on the anti-parochial amendment."

The state superintendent of public instruction, Dr. John Porter and the state Attorney General, Frank Kelley, have asked the state Supreme Court for its opinion on the amendment passed by state voters last month.

As requested by the board in its last meeting, Stacey reported he had contacted officials from the two private Lutheran schools where the four students are enrolled.

"They declined to take an official stand on the issue and told me it would be up to the parents of the children involved," Stacey told the board.

He added that he could only reach one of the parents who said she was very happy and appreciative of Lakeshore's offer.

CONTACTING PARENTS

Stacey said after Monday's meeting that he would try to reach the other parents to explain the board's offer.

The students had been served by the Lakeshore speech correctionist. Stacey said if the parents agree to let their children take the Lakeshore service, the parents will be responsible for the children's transportation to and from school.

In other matters the board gave the administration permission to advertise for bids on a 78-passenger with an option to buy two buses.

William Galbreath, assistant superintendent, also reported that the schools should be able to hook up to the township new water mains in about six months.

BH School Executive Going To Seminar

VPSILANTI — Donald Pobuda, director of public relations for the Benton Harbor area schools, will attend a seminar in Washington, D. C., Dec. 15 through Dec. 17, to obtain the latest information on federal legislation affecting education. The seminar is arranged by the division of field services at Eastern Michigan university.

BH Law Firm's Bid Rejected In St. Joe

St. Joseph city commissioners last night rejected a proposal to build law offices on a former Urban Renewal lot in downtown St. Joseph.

By a three-two vote they turned down "as insufficiently sized" an offer from the Benton Harbor law firm of Butzbaugh, Page & Butzbaugh to build a building between 6,000 and 10,000 square feet in size.

Commissioners did not act on a competing offer from five professional firms who have proposed a larger building of approximately 20,000 square feet. It was announced that the group had deposited their original \$2,500 deposit to \$10,000 as a demonstration of their continuing interest in the site.

Commissioner Warren Gast who proposed rejection of the Butzbaugh offer, said the commission did not have to decide between the two proposals. He said there had been "no concrete proposal" from the group of five firms and the commission should not give them "final approval at this time."

The five parties are the St. Joseph law firms of Ryan, McQuillan & Vanderploeg; Tay-

lor and Taylor; and Patrick J. Kinney; Kovt an, Maki & McMurray, certified public accountants; and a fifth unnamed professional firm.

ANTE INCREASED
Atty. David Vanderploeg told commissioners the \$10,000 deposit had been made on the understanding it would be forfeited if work didn't proceed.

In the wake of the commission's rejection of the Butzbaugh plan, Vanderploeg said,

the group soon would begin selection of an architect to draw up plans.

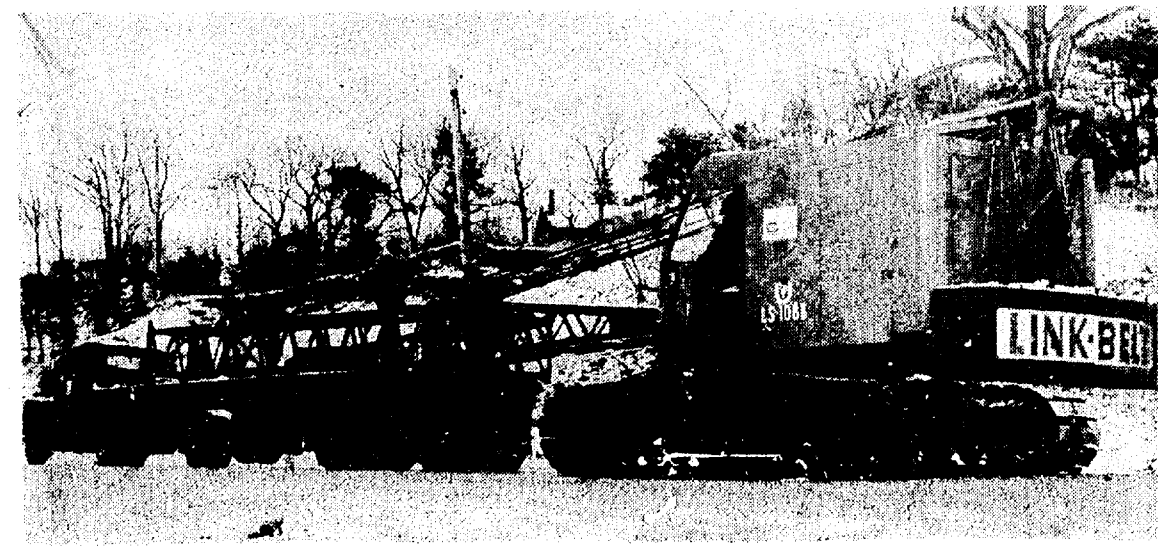
Responding to a question from Commissioner C. A. (Toby) Tobias Jr., Vanderploeg said his group's offer was not contingent on acquisition of additional parking space for the proposed offices. He said, however, the group is interested in buying a city-owned lot located

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SJ Father Must Pay On Arrearage

A St. Joseph father of three children on ADC was ordered Monday in Berrien circuit court to begin paying off a \$3,216 arrearage at \$5 weekly as soon as he gets a job.

Berrien Friend of the Court John Schoenhals reported Judge Karl F. Zick issued the repayment order for Ronald J. McGath. Meanwhile, McGath must continue to pay \$20 weekly child support and remain on probation to Schoenhals until next August. The three children are of a prior marriage.



TO REPAIR C&O SEAWALL: Workmen from Canonic Construction Co., South Haven, are seen assembling derrick boom Monday near Lions Park beach, St. Joseph, in preparation for repairing the railroad seawall south of the St. Joseph waterworks. Jim Melcher, assistant division engineer for Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, Grand Rapids, said a

break in the seawall occurred during a storm Dec. 4. Melcher said the break was considered minor and should take about a week to repair. The seawall which protects C&O tracks along the lake will be repaired with sheet piling and support beams. (Photo by Walter M. Booth)

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Pay Increases Boost Berrien Costs \$300,000

Job Changes Announced

Berrien county commissioners granted county employees and officials pay hikes starting at 5 per cent and approved a host of new jobs and job changes to the tune of almost \$300,000 Monday.

The pay hikes, approved by commissioners on recommendation of their salary chief,

for courthouse employees and sheriff's deputies.

For those in the courthouse, an 11th paid holiday (Columbus day) is added; for the first time, a third paid week of vacation is added after five years; and sick leave is changed from 10 days a year and 20 days accumulated to 12 days a year and 20 days accumulated.

EXTRA FOR UNIFORMS

Sheriff's deputies get the 11th holiday; 10 days of sick leave for the first two years and a dozen days a year thereafter; and \$150 annual uniform allowance for uniformed men and \$200 for plainclothesmen.

Pay hikes for county elected officials range from a low of \$1,300 up to \$7,000. New salaries with the old in parentheses are: Clerk, \$14,000 (\$12,600); treasurer, \$12,500 (\$10,800); register of deeds, \$11,500 (\$9,800); drain commissioner, \$10,500 (\$9,200); sheriff, \$15,000 (\$12,600); prosecutor, \$21,500 (\$14,600); and

probate judge, \$27,500 (\$20,500).

The increases are granted for "full-time services to the county." The prosecutor's old salary was predicated on part-time work and the probate judge's boost follows a hike in the state-paid share of his salary from \$8,000 up to \$15,000, or an increase of \$7,000.

Salaries for county elected officials "take into consideration" various additional per diem or other fees officials receive by state statute, Fischer said. These total, he said, about \$1,650 for the clerk, \$2,500 to \$3,000 for the prosecutor, \$1,000 for the treasurer, \$1,300 for the sheriff, \$400 for the register of deeds and \$1,000 for the drain commissioner.

The sheriff also draws \$3,000 annually as county civil defense chief.

Fischer said he hoped to see a rule requiring officials to report income from these fees and per diems once annually.

LOWEST PAID

Many courthouse employees won a five per cent pay boost, but for 43 clerks, clerk-typists, account clerk and LEIN law enforcement teletype operators the increase was doubled. These employees were the lowest-paid and deserving of a big boost, Fischer indicated.

Their base starting salary was about \$3,809 but now goes to \$4,212.

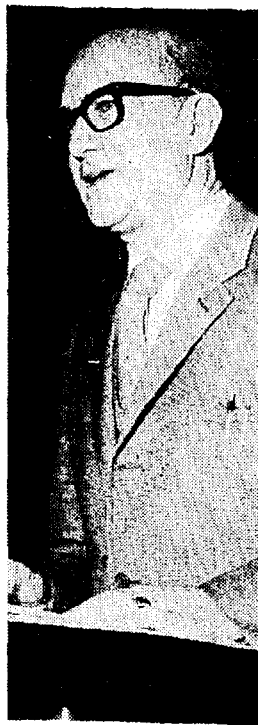
County sheriff's patrolmen each get \$800 a year more and turnkeys \$1,073 more to raise them to patrolman's pay for the first time since 1967. The base starting pay for both is now \$7,811.

Ranks above patrolman got pay increases of up to \$1,680 a year because in the 1967 pay schedule they received no merit increases for second and third years of employment, meaning no pay hikes in 1969 and 1970, Fischer said.

Court reporters were raised \$800 to \$11,800, while County Planning Director Thomas Sinn, who is to head three departments soon, was raised \$2,000 to \$12,600.

To assist Sinn, commissioners Monday approved creation of the post of "assistant planner" at \$8,853 annually plus an "account clerk II" at \$4,784.

They also changed the job descriptions and thus hiked the pay of seven employees and voted to add 10 more persons to the courthouse staff, including two probation officers and a secretary in juvenile court; two switchboard operators and two turnkeys; one probation officer and one secretary in district court; and one secretary in probate court.



LESLIE FISCHER
Almost \$300,000

Mosely said she believed she could best serve her race by continuing.

TOWNSHIP RESIDENT

Mayor Richard Lewis, commenting on the appointment of Miss Jensen who lives on 76th avenue in the township, said projects were originally intended to serve the area and not just the city. Miss Jensen will be the first non-city resident on the commission since its creation in 1967.

Opposed to the appointments was Second Ward Alderman Tom Renner. Favoring the appointments were Lewis and councilman Irving Tucker, Roscoe Pearson, Lineberry and Doug Wattrick. Goerg was absent.

Renner said he was opposed because the new commission lacked senior citizens, did not reflect a balanced makeup of minority races and that he did not believe aldermen should serve on the commission. He also objected to Mrs. Mosely's decision to serve after tendering her resignation.

EX-OFFICIO ROLES

The council approved the appointment of ex-officio members Paul Frazier, 251 Center street, and Ralph Nelson, 326 Michigan avenue. Lewis and Pearson were also appointed to ex-officio roles.

The two housing projects, which are supported by the federal Housing and Urban Development department still lack a director. Former director Stanley Servingshaug tendered his resignation following the mass resignation from the previous commission. City Manager Albert Pierce said he would meet with the new housing commission soon to discuss candidates for the position.

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Leslie Fischer of Niles, range from a flat five per cent for many county courthouse employees all the way up to a 47 per cent hike for the prosecutor.

GOBBLED UP

The wage, benefit, job advancement and staff increase package approved by commissioners Monday gobbled up much of a \$381,132 contingency fund commissioners held for this purpose in the 1971 budget, Fischer indicated.

"We spent \$296,416.54," he said.

The only ones who didn't get pay hikes were the commissioners — they pointed out that they sought none — and judges of Berrien circuit and Fifth district courts. Commissioners shelved judicial pay increases until January in order to study new pay hikes for judges just okayed by the state legislature and said to be awaiting the governor's signature.

Commissioners also amended, separately, working conditions

POLE SHEARED: Car driven by Edwin J. Reiss, 50, of 336 Pipestone road, Benton Harbor, comes to rest in field in Sodus township yesterday off Pipestone road, after hitting another car and shearing utility pole. Three other cars were reported forced off the road prior to the collision with auto driven by Kristi Ann Van Lente, 18, of 792 McAlister avenue, Benton Harbor, Trooper Andrew C. Baumeister said. Reiss was arrested on charges of driving under the influence of intoxicants, driving without a driver's license and being drunk and disorderly in a public place. (Staff photo)

South Haven

Council Appoints New Housing Unit

SOUTH HAVEN — A new housing commission to govern the city's federally supported low-rent and elderly housing projects was appointed by the city council during a special meeting last night. The vote was 5-1.

The appointments were made because the previous commission had resigned en masse in a dispute with the city council. The commission contended the

council had violated an agreement worked out to end a running battle over financing. Named to the commission were two aldermen, a township resident, a former member of the housing commission who changed her mind about resigning, and a man who has served as a maintenance man for the low-rent project.

The five were aldermen Rex Lineberry, second ward, and

Matt Goerg, third ward; Miss Carol Jensen, the township resident; Mrs. Ernest Mosely, the former commissioner; and James Faux, who has been a part-time employee of the commission.

Mrs. Mosely is the only Negro on the commission with a vote. Forty-nine of the 50 low-rent units are occupied by Negro families.

In a letter to the council, Mrs.

Galien Learns

Estimates Soar On Sewer Project

GALIEN — Consulting engineers revised the estimated price tag of Galien's proposed new sewage treatment project to \$450,000 last night.

Engineers Robert Richardson and Henry Mejia of Engineering Planning Services company, Mishawaka, told the village council the figure was an increase of about 30 per cent over previous figures. They blamed rapidly increasing costs of labor and material.

The cost figures were revised so the council could apply to the state water resources commission for a federal-state grant.

EARLIER REQUESTS

The request for a grant had previously been made to the

Farmers Home administration, a federal agency, and had been renewed every six months for two years, the board was told. The board said it had received no action on its requests in the entire two years.

The way the application is being written, Clerk Mrs. Elmer Doyle said, the grant would not be made before next September. Construction probably could not be started before late next year, she estimated.

OTHER DISCUSSION

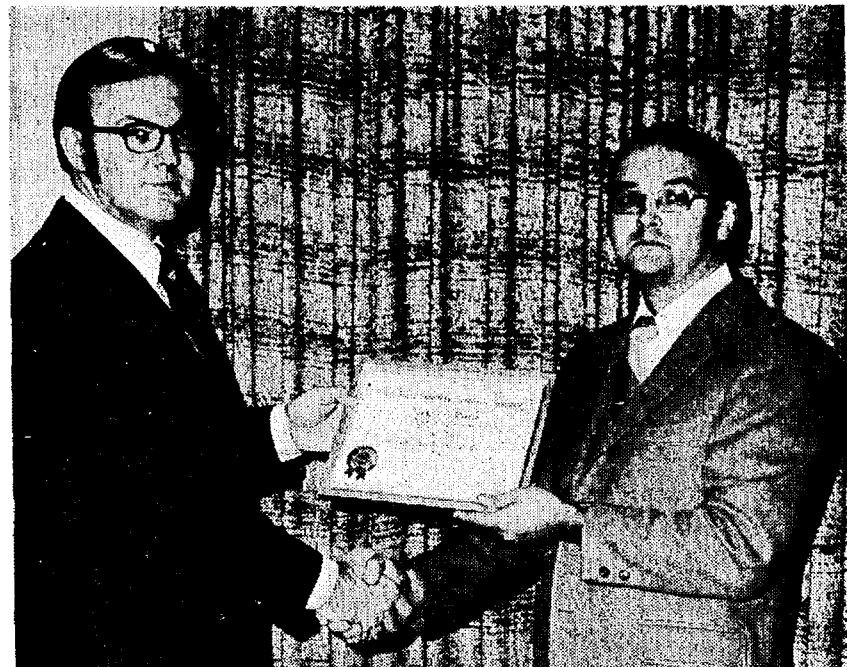
On another matter, the clerk reminded village residents that seven village offices, including that of President Robert James, will expire this year. Nominating petitions, which she can

furnish, must be filed by candidates by Dec. 28, Mrs. Doyle said.

She said that in addition to the president's term, other terms expiring included hers, Treasurer Violet Swem's, Assessor Enocell Swem's, and those of three trustees, Raymond Backus, William Geik and Jack Canfield.

She said that all incumbents have drawn nominating petitions except Trustees Geik and Canfield.

In addition petitions were requested by Eldon Brewer, who is interested in the assessor position; and by Shirley Roberts for the treasurer's job.



WINS AWARD: Burt Carle (right), vice president of Dynac corporation, St. Joseph, recently took second place in aluminum diecasting of the year competition. Carle was responsible for design and production of "Safety Sentry," a shoulder harness arrangement that allows a car occupant to move freely until a sudden impact, when the latch locks and restrains the occupant. The device is manufactured for American Seating company of Grand Rapids and is under test by all major auto companies. Carle receives award from Dynac President Fred Reddell Jr. Sponsor of the contest is Aluminum Smelters Research institution.

Seventh Vote Set

Bangor Won't Quit Fight For School

BANGOR — The Bangor school board voted last night to present a school construction bond issue to district voters for a seventh time.

On a motion by Dr. Joseph Cooper, the board voted to proceed with preparations to present the issue at the annual school election June 14.

'NO LESSENING'

In making his motion, Dr. Cooper said the bond issue should have "no lessening of the \$3.4 million program defeated last week."

District voters Thursday by a vote of 683 no to 592 yes defeated the program which would have financed the construction of a new elementary school, additions to the high school and middle school and

removal of a 1902 building now used as part of the middle school facilities.

In other business, the board adopted a code of conduct for students worked out by students and the high school administration.

One of the major changes is to allow girls to wear slacks, bermuda shorts and culottes to classes.

High school principal John Balzer said of the code, "It is a realistic code and fits the standard of the times." About 125 students and 12 parents were present at the meeting.

Superintendent Howard Beyer reported the district has received approval from the National School Lunch program for a satellite hot lunch program. Such a program would be re-

imbursed by the federal government for about 75 per cent of the cost.

The board voted to seek bids for equipment for the program which is estimated to cost about \$40,000 and named a committee to study two alternate methods for the operation of the system. Under the satellite program, food is prepared in a central location and transported to the other schools. Such a program would allow a hot lunch program in the middle school which does not presently have one.

Under one method of operation, dishes for the program are disposed and under the other the dishes must be washed for reuse.

The board also voted to seek bids for three new school buses by Feb. 1.

New High School

Lawton Discussing Plans For Building

LAWTON — A building program involving a projected \$1.7 million high school project is being studied by the building committee of the Lawton school board.

Committee Chairman Robert Beam told the board last night that the committee is currently scheduling meetings with architects to select one for recommendation for employment. The building committee is made up of four members of the seven-member school board.

Beam said, based on present day costs, the plant the committee envisions will cost \$1,732,000.

According to the chairman, a complete high school building, including an athletic plant, is being considered. Locations for the center are also being studied.

At least a 50-acre site, Beam said, is required under state development guidelines.

The committee forecast that if enrollments continue as they

have for the past three years, the top four grades will have 494 students within 10 years and that the total system would have 1,200 to 1,300 students.

Superintendent George Dannecker said double shifts would have to be considered within two years at the present rate of growth.

Dannecker said "Right now we could use three additional teachers, one each in math, science and industrial arts."

In other areas, the board accepted the resignation of Charles Jagade from the teaching staff. It accepted the recommendations of Dannecker to hire Miss Mary Ann Cook as a guidance counselor and Larry Smith to replace Jagade in social studies. Miss Cook is a Western Michigan university graduate and Smith is a Michigan State graduate.

TWO APPOINTED

Board President Owen Beyer appointed Mrs. Phyllis Weurding to the school library committee

and Mrs. Jeannine Nesbitt as board representative to the national school board convention to be held in Philadelphia, Pa., April 3-6.

Mrs. Weurding reported on a meeting she attended as board representative which was held at the intermediate school of Lawrence. She said several plans were presented concerning vocational - technical education in the county.

Paw Paw Eyes Radar Systems

PAW PAW — Village council members here Monday night voted to consider the possible purchase of radar speed judging equipment for use by its police department.

One of the systems under consideration is the VASCAR radar program offered in conjunction with the Van Buren County sheriff's department.

The council also voted to study the possible adoption of a curfew for children under 16. No positive action was taken.

A back-up power source is now available to the village, the council reported. The system was installed by Michigan Power company after negotiations with representatives of business and industry in the village and the village council.

Youth Fair Schedule Announced By Board

BERRIEN SPRINGS — The Berrien County Youth Fair board of directors in a special meeting last night confirmed the dates of Aug. 17 through 21 for the 1971 Youth fair, according to the board secretary, Mrs. Barbara Kolm.

Like this year, the annual Berrien County Youth Fair horse show will be held on the weekend preceding fair week, Aug. 13-15. Entry day for the fair will be Monday, Aug. 16.